GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4725
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2000
AVAILABILITY OF SAFE DRINKING WATER
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the availability of safe drinking water in the urban areas of the country is diminishing;

(b) if so, whether the union Government have increased the plan allocation to increase the availability of safe drinking water in the urban areas;

(c) if so, the allocation made to various States for this purpose during each of the last three years State-wise; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): As per the report of the National Commission for Integrated Water Resources Development of M/o Water Resources published in September, 1999, the availability of utilisable water and the requirement/demand of water for different uses for 1997-98, 2010, 2025 and 2050 is at Annexure-I. So far as drinking water supply facilities to the urban population is concerned, on the basis of information furnished by different State implementing agencies, viz. PHEDs/Water Supply and Sewerage Boards, as on 31.03.97, about 90% of the urban population is reported to have access to water supply facilities. However, the quality and quantity of water in most of the uran areas is not as per norms. The State-wise coverage of population with water supply facilities as reported by different State Governments is given at Annexure-II.

(b),(c)&(d): Water supply being a State subject, it is the responsibility of State Governments to plan, implement, operate and maintain water supply facilities and make adequate provision of funds in their State plans for the purpose. However, in order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments for providing water supply facilities to the towns having population less than 20,000 (as per 1991 census), a Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) was launched during 1993-94 in order to provide Central assistance to the State Governments on 50:50 matching basis between Centre and State.Under AUWSP the funds released by the Ministry of Urban Development as Central share to different State Governments during the last three years is at Annexure-III.

ANNEXURES REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA USQ NO.4725 FOR 25.4.2000.

ANNEXURE-I

Quantity in Cubic Kilometres (Km3)

	1997-98	2010	2020	2050
Utilisable water available	996	996	996	996
Estimated requirement of water for all uses	629	694	784	973
(of which requirement for Domestic use)	(30)	(42)	(55)	(90)

The requirement of water for domestic use (including drinking water purposes) indicated in the bracket is for both urban and rural areas. The figures for urban areas separately are not available.

ANNEXURE-II

MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

STATUS OF URBAN WATER SUPPLY - INDIA (TENTATIVE STATUS AS ON 31.3.97)

(Population in `000)

Sl. No.	Name of State/U.T.	Estimated popln. as of 31.3.97	Population provided with water supply through H.S.C.	P.S.P.	Total	%
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	16937	10377	4318	14695	86.76
2.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	226	171	45	216	95.58
3.	ASSAM	4239	429	1573	2002	47.23
4.	BIHAR	11892	4187	5327	9514	80.00
5.	DELHI	10300	4730	4540	9270	90.00
6.	GOA	504	310	106	416	82.54
7	GUJARAT	16810	13227	3307	16534	98.36
8.	HARYANA	3705	2408	1297	3705	100.00
9.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	546	328	218	546	100.00
10.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	2030	1421	609	2030	100.00
11.	KARNATAKA	14172	9681	3494	13175	92.97
12.	KERALA	7680	3180	2572	5752	74.90
13.	MADHYA PRADESH	17800	10300	5800	16100	90.45
14.	MAHARASHTRA	34309	23744	10176	33920	98.87
15.	MANIPUR	548	402	60	462	84.31
16.	MEGHALAYA	481	227	220	447	92.93
17.	MIZORAM	445	83	125	208	46.74
18.	NAGALAND	214	63	151	214	100.00
19.	ORISSA	4407	810	2061	2871	65.15
20.	PUNJAB	4202	3235	33	3268	77.77
21.	RAJASTHAN	10864	8503	2361	10864	100.00
22.	SIKKIM	195	95	25	120	61.54
23.	TAMILNADU	26600	9980	13860	23840	89.62
24.	TRIPURA	428	71	279	350	81.78
25.	UTTAR PRADESH	29837	19643	8418	28061	94.05
26.	WEST BENGAL	18495	6261	9505	15766	85.24
	TOTAL STATES	237866	133866	80480	214336	90.11
	UNION TERRITORIES					
1.	A & N ISLANDS	90	55	22	77	85.56
2.	CHANDIGARH	722	722	0	722	100.00
3.	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	40	6.4	1.1	7.5	18.75
4.	DAMAN & DIU	31.2	25	1	26	83.33
5.	LAKSHADWEEP	37	0	29	29	78.38
6.	PONDICHERRY	526	378	148	526	100.00
	TOTAL U.Ts.	1446.2	1186.4	201.1	1387.5	95.94
	GRAND TOTAL	239312.2	135052.4	80681.1	215733.5	90.15

REMARKS:

H.S.C.- House Service Connection. P.S.P.- Public Stand Posts.
+- Indicates accessibility only adequacy and equitable distribution of water supply not as per the prescribed norms of Govt. of India

ANNEXURE-III

ACCELERATED URBAN WATER SUPPLY PROGRAMME (AUWSP)

Sl. No.	NAME OF STATE/ U.T.	FUND RELEASED (Rs. in lakhs) 1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
1.	Andhra Pradesh	-	-	-
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	21.16	0.00	149.08
3.	Assam	140.00	198.87	324.26
4.	Bihar	0.00	192.75	319.47
5.	Goa	0.00	0.00	0.00
6.	Gujarat	0.00	0.00	347.25
7	Haryana	87.03	130.19	259.56
8.	Himachal Pradesh	44.95	58.95	156.50
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	41.61	20.75	183.90
10.	Karnataka	179.96	298.08	465.91
11.	Kerala	64.39	85.50	67.69
12.	Madhya Pradesh	417.98	626.72	936.56
13.	Maharashtra	271.80	393.94	369.01
14.	Manipur	90.99	63.16	160.51
15.	Meghalaya	38.92	0.00	0.00
16.	Mizoram	51.68	76.95	63.42
17.	Nagaland	34.36	17.51	175.80
18.	Orissa	156.62	258.00	258.62
19.	Punjab	0.00	0.00	105.48
20.	Rajasthan	171.52	324.81	0.00
21.	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	28.92
22.	Tamilnadu	205.46	234.91	521.36
23.	Tripura	0.00	42.11	91.44
24.	Uttar Pradesh	776.57	932.83	1515.26
25.	West Bengal	0.00	43.97	0.00
	TOTAL STATES	2795.00	4000.00	6500.00